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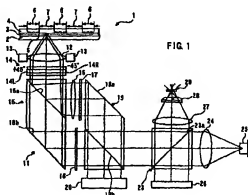
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(54) **METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR OPTICAL INFORMATION, METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR REPRODUCING OPTICAL INFORMATION, APPARATUS FOR RECORDING/REPRODUCING OPTICAL INFORMATION, AND OPTICAL INFORMATION RECORDING MEDIUM**

(57) The present invention makes it possible to reduce the size of an optical system for multiplex recording or reproduction of information utilizing holography.

A pick-up (11) of an optical information recording/reproducing apparatus generates information light by spatially modulating laser light emitted by a light source device (25) with a spatial light modulator (18) depending on the information to be recorded and generates reference light for recording having a spatially modulated phase by spatially modulating the phase of laser beam emitted by the light source device (25) with a phase-spatial light modulator (17). The information light and the reference light for recording are projected upon an optical information recording medium (1) such that they converge in different positions, and information is recorded in the hologram layer (3) in the form of an interference pattern as a result of interference between the information light reflected by a reflecting film (5) and the reference light for recording. The positioning of the information light and the reference light for recording is carried out based on information recorded in address servo areas (8).



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LLP**[57] ABSTRACT**

An optical recording material comprising: a thin film or membrane of a hydrophobic binding agent; and metallic particles having a diameter of 0.003 μm to 3 μm dispersed in said film or membrane wherein the density of said metallic particles is higher near at least one surface of said film or membrane as compared with another portion of said film or membrane, each metallic particle having a nucleus and an outer coating, said outer coating consisting of at least one metal having a melting point of 250° C. to 1800° C. and a thermal conductivity at 0° C. of 5 W·m⁻¹·K⁻¹ to 450 W·m⁻¹·K⁻¹ wherein the reflectivity of the surface of said film or membrane where the density of said metallic particle is higher is 10 to 90%, a method for preparing the optical recording material and an optical card containing the optical recording material.

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